

# Quote

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The boys in Washington are once more trotting out the surrey with the fringe on top. In current parlance "fringe" represents the frosting on top of the wage cake—the extra compensation labor receives voluntarily or thru negotiation in a particular company or within an industry.

A new regulation (GWR 13) specifically exempts from the 10% wage ceiling such "fringe" benefits as paid vacations and holidays, premium pay relative to days and hrs of work shift differentials, etc. The word now is that these compensations are allowable so long as they represent "prevailing practices." If the past presents a dependable pattern for what is to come this stipulation means merely the highest example will be taken as the "prevailing" standard.

Other "fringe" liberalizations are yet to be passed upon, including the controversial pension issue. Ultimately, of course, there will be a new over-all wage formula (revision of GWR 6). This has been delayed pending extension of the control law. That it will pierce the present 10% ceiling is obvious.

The net result of all this, as the blindest must readily perceive, will be a further squeeze on business profits. But since there is, quite obviously, a practical limit to the life blood that can be extracted from a corporate body, in the end, higher wages must be reflected in higher prices.

### MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

Pres HARRY S TRUMAN: "We can well afford to pay the price of peace. Our only alternate is to pay the terrible cost of war." 1-Q

Gen JAS A VAN FLEET, 8th Army comdr, on continuance of hostilities pending armistice: "We will not permit this great UN army to become the victim of Communist ambush." 2-Q

Gen DOUGLAS MACARTHUR: "A great nation which enters upon war and fails to see it thru to victory must accept the full moral consequences of defeat." 3-Q

Dr YANG YOO CHAN, Korean ambassador to U S: "It will be suicide for the Republic of Korea if the war ends at the 38th parallel." 4-Q

W LEE ("Pappy") O'DANIEL, former Tex gov and U S senator, announcing candidacy for Democratic nomination for Pres: "Only God can save this nation; I'm willing to help Him." 5-Q

JENNIE LEE, mbr, British Parliament, supporting threatened suffragette warfare by British women seeking equal pay for equal work: "Maybe it pays to start smashing things. Maybe, in terms of power politics, we are underplaying our hands." 6-Q

CHAS E WILSON, Defense Mobilization director: "We must resort to controls in this twilight period between war and peace, because you simply cannot take some \$150 billions out of our economy for defense purposes without creating terrific inflationary strains." 7-Q

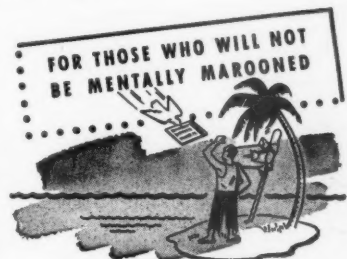
BORIS SHISKIN, AFofL economist: "Arming peoples without having won their good will completely can be a dangerous thing." 8-Q

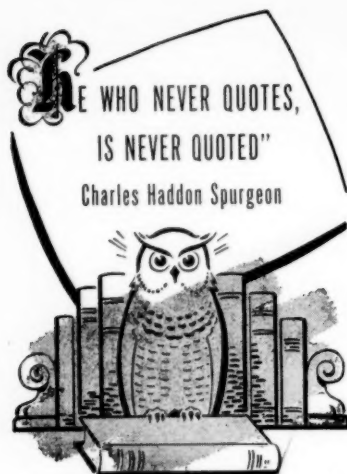
*Berliner Zeitung*, communist newspaper in Soviet Berlin, criticizing statues of peace dove erected for current Red youth rally: "These doves are so fat nobody would believe they can fly—unless inflated with gas like balloons." 9-Q

Sen JAS H DUFF, of Pa: "No possible excuse can be found for failure to agree on methods necessary to preserve our very existence as a nation." 10-Q

Sen TOM CONNALLY, of Tex: "The U S cannot subsist itself, cannot preserve its own economy, and its own freedoms, if we have got to take care of the whole world." 11-Q

ILDEFONSO CARDINAL SCHUSTER, Archbishop of Milan, Italy: "The persecution in the 1st 3 centuries of Christianity in the Roman Empire becomes a small thing in the face of the vast persecution, cruelty refined and scientifically carried out against the clergy in today's Satanism behind the Iron Curtain." 12-Q





#### ADVERTISING—1

You can tell the ideals of a nation by its advertisements.—**NORMAN DOUGLAS**, *High Points*.

#### AMERICA—2

Nothing fails like Kremlin forecasts of the American economy.—**Freeman**.

#### ATTITUDE—3

A man decided to test the value of a smile. Walking along, he would alternate, wearing 1st a smile and then a frown. He said later that when he walked down the st without a smile he was the most obscure man in the universe. No one paid the slightest att'n to him. But when he smiled it was different. Three out of 5 people smiled back.—**CHAS B ROTH**, *Optimist*.

#### AVIATION—4

There are 60,000 subcontractors and suppliers now serving the aircraft industry. Of these small business gets 60% of aircraft subcontracts.—**Planes**, *Aircraft Industries Association*.

#### BREVITY—5

Rudolph Flesh says in a recent *Printers' Ink* that many business man-hrs are lost due to excess baggage in business writing. Following his formula you would not write thus to your purveyor of dairy commodities: "According to our agreement your co is to furnish services periodically on alternate days of the wk in am'ts to be specified at irregular intervals. Due to circumstances beyond our control, we herewith ask you to interrupt your services for 1 period only, effective Wed, May 30, '51. Please note services are to be resumed as of Fri, June 2, '51. in the same am't and manner as heretofore."

You would merely leave a note for the milkman and say, "Please skip Wed."—*Your Cue to Business*, hm, *Indianapolis Business Library*.

#### CHRISTIANITY—6

Christianity is largely a matter of the right allergies toward that which is evil and the right allegiances toward that which is good. The best people are allergic to greed and gossip, to bigotry and booze, to vulgarity and profanity.—**Dr SAM'L HENRY PRINCE**, of *Kings Univ*, *Halifax, N S*.

#### COMMUNISM—7

We don't care whether those Commie leaders are 1st, 2nd or 3rd string. What matters is Moscow is pulling the strings.—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

#### CONSTRUCTION—8

Bldg programs at colleges and universities the next 18 mo's will total more than \$1.5 billion. About 70% will be spent for new bldgs. A'most half of construction will be in class room bldgs, 20% in housing for students and staff.—*U S Office of Education survey*.

#### CO-OPERATION—9

Back when organs were pumped by hand, a famous organist, leaving the platform after a program

said to himself, "I really did some beautiful work this evening. I don't know when I ever played better." The boy who had pumped the wind scowled at the artist.

The next evening, the artist placed his hands on the keys, but there was no sound. He tried again. No response. Scowling fiercely at the pumper the artist indicated wind was needed.

The boy grinned and admonished, "Say 'we,' mister."—*Toastmaster*.

#### COST OF LIVING—10

One of the greatest changes in our way of life of late is incorporated in the conversion of the old saying that "You can't take it with you" to "You can't keep it while you're here."—**H P THOMPSON**, *Mid-County Times*, *Pardeeville, Wis.*

#### DEFENSE—N Atlantic—11

Since March '50, the U S has shipped the Atlantic Pact nations 4,300 tanks and combat vehicles, 2,700 pieces of artillery, 17,000 gen'l purpose vehicles, 850 planes and 175 vessels, besides bazookas, radar sets and ammunition.—*Wall St Jnl*.

#### DRINK—Drinking—12

Alcoholism in the U S is on the increase. The nat'l ratio is now almost 4% of the population over 20 yrs of age. Yet only 3 U S univ's are seriously studying the problem—*Yale, Wis*, and *Tex Christian* . . . Only 4 states are really tackling the subject in the public schools—*Conn, Miss, Ore and Utah*.—*Pathfinder*.

#### ECONOMY—13

A lady from Kans was talking about some neighbors in the wheat belt. "They don't seem to be doing so well," she said cattily. "You know, they had to finance their new house."—*Changing Times*.

#### EDUCATION—14

The heart of education is the education of the heart.—*Baracaphilatheia News*.

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### ENERGY—15

In the U S, we use 10 times as much mechanical energy per capita as people of the rest of the world. Motors with 10 hp would be req'd per person, operating constantly every min of the day and night, every day of the yr, to equal the energy we use. It would take 50 servants for every man woman and child in the U S to produce that much energy!—Dr R J GONZALES, "What Makes America Great?" *Humble Way*, hm, Humble Oil & Refining Co, 5 & 6-'51.

### FINANCE—16

If a person had started in business in the yr A D 1 with a capital of \$1 billion, and had managed his business so poorly that he would have lost \$1,000 each day, in this yr of '51 he still would have enough capital left out of his original billion to continue in business, losing \$1,000 a day for almost an addit'l 800 yrs.—Morton Messenger.

In olden days a poet's lines  
Were sung with harp and lute.

And kings paid well to hear  
new verse  
Along with strings and flute.

But nowadays the stuff that's  
written

The public ear to tickle  
The juke box at the corner  
store

Will give you for a nickle.

—Farm Jnl.

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### GAMBLING—18

Americans spend \$20 billion a yr on gambling, \$5 billion on public education. Isn't this gambling with the future of the nation's youth?—*Christian Science Monitor*.

### GOD—and Man—19

When God had finished the creation of the world he examined it and found it good. Since then there has been no opinion expressed by Him.—K K STEINCKE, of Copenhagen, quoted in *Die Zeit*, Hamburg Germany. (QUOTE translation)

### HANDICAPS—Overcoming—20

My little girl, a victim of paralysis, refused to go out in public.

"I can't bear to have people stare at me," she cried. Finally I said, "When people stare, it's because they have a terrible illness called 'staritis.' Only people like you can help them."

"How?" she asked.

"Look them in the eye, smile and say, 'I'm fine—how are you?' When their faces go red, you will know you have helped them overcome 'staritis.'"

She went out without fear after that. It's surprising how many people she helped.—NORA JACKSON, *Rotarian*.

### HAPPINESS—21

If you observe a really happy man, you will find him building a boat, writing a symphony, educating his son, growing double dahlias or looking for dinosaur eggs in the Gobi desert. He will not be searching for happiness as if it were a collar button that had rolled under the radiator, striving for it as a goal in itself. He will have become aware that he is happy in the course of living life 24 crowded hrs of each day.—W BERTRAM WOLFE, *How to Be Happy Tho Human*. (Farrar)

### HEALTH—Mental—22

I suspect that modern psychosomatic medicine ("your mind causes your aches") began when the 1st man or woman ever said to his beloved one: "Oh, you give me a pain!"—HARLAN MILLER, *Des Moines register*.

### HOME—23

A strong home these days is one that can hold its children without television.—MARCELENE COX, *Ladies' Home Jnl*.

### IDEAS—24

You cannot destroy an idea with a bomb. But you can make people throw an idea into discard by giving them a better one.—H E KAMIL ABDUL RAHIM, Egyptian Ambassador to U S, *Vital Speeches*.

### INCOME—Comparative—25

The 150 million people of the U S have devised an economy which currently produces a nat'l income of well over \$250 billion per yr. The 270 million people of W Europe are producing an income totaling \$150 billion.—NELSON A ROCKEFELLER, "Widening Boundaries of Nat'l Interest," *For'gn Affairs*, 7-'51.

### INFLATION—26

An o'd saying had it that money talks. Since inflation came in, however the dollar doesn't have enough cents to say anything worth while.—WM J McHALE, *Chilton (Wis) Times-Jnl*.

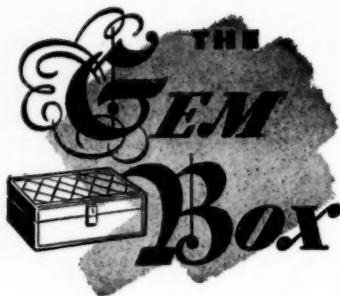


That most impressive and most hated of all nat'l anthems, *Deutschland Uber Alles*, is newer than one might think. Nor was it 1st sung by German legions striding their destructive path; it was 80 yrs old when it supplanted *Die Wacht am Rhein* as the army's song. When it became the official anthem, perverted into the "Germany over all" interpretation, it became a symbol of fear and hatred. Written before Germany was unified, it is really a plea to put the whole nation beyond sectional considerations.

The music was composed by Jos Haydn in 1797. The words which by malicious distortion helped wreck a country were written later by a professor with the resounding name of Hofman von Fallersleben, a writer of patriotic poems. On Aug 26, 1841," he wrote *Deutschland Uber Alles* for Haydn's music. Not an immediate success, the song gained great popularity during World War I. In 1922 it was proclaimed the nat'l anthem. Now crowned on, it retains its place in German hearts. Chancellor Adenauer, conceding defeat in efforts to suppress it, recently let it be sung. He gained one point, however, by approving only the peaceful 3d verse, on which—ironically—the original choice of the song as nat'l anthem was based:

"... Unity and Law and Freedom—Happiness on these must stand . . ."

A bad reputation is harder to destroy than a good one. It will take a long time for this noble thought to erase the memory of "*Deutschland, Deutschland, 1st of nations, over all in this wide world.*"



### The Capacity to Love

ERICH FROMM

People believe that to love is simple, but that to be loved is most difficult. In our marketing orientation people think they are not loved because they are not "attractive" enough, attractiveness being based on anything from looks, dress, intelligence, money, to social position and prestige. They do not know that the real problem is not the difficulty of being loved but the difficulty of loving; that one is loved only if one can love, if one's capacity to love produces love in another person, that the capacity for love, not for its counterfeit, is a most difficult achievement.

... Love by its very nature cannot be restricted to one person. Anyone who loves only one person and does not love "his neighbor" demonstrates that his love for one person is an attachment of submission or of domination but not love. Furthermore, anyone who loves his neighbor but does not love himself shows that the love of his neighbor is not genuine. Love is based on an attitude of affirmation and respect, and if this attitude does not also exist toward oneself, who is after all only another human being and another neighbor, it does not exist at all. The human reality behind the concept of man's love for God in humanistic religion is man's ability to love productively, to love without greed, without submission and domination, to love from the fullness of his personality, just as God's love is a symbol for love out of strength and not out of weakness.—*Psychoanalysis & Religion*. (Yale Univ Press)

### LABOR—Strike—27

A strike is labor's love lost.—*HARVEY CAMPBELL, Detroit*.

### LANGUAGE—28

Today English is the language used in 50% of all newspapers, 60% of all radio programs, 70% of all mag's and 80% of all correspondence.—*Australasian Mfr.*

### LEADERSHIP—29

A St Bernard was sent to rescue a child lost in the mountains. A fox terrier chose to accompany him. When the St Bernard started the tough climb the little terrier snapped at his heels to keep him in the valley. Finally the St Bernard turned back to take the easy route. They came to a bed of quicksand. The terrier could not make the grade, so hopped on the back of the St Bernard. But the St Bernard had lost both blood and courage from the snipping at his heels so he had not the strength to save either himself or his tormentor.

The child, the St Bernard and the little terrier perished thru leadership from the rear.—*Calavo News*, hm, Calavo Growers of Calif.

### MARRIAGE—30

Marriage can't run on physical attraction alone—any more than a car can run on gasoline alone. But on the other hand no am't of supplementary things, by themselves, will keep a car running. It is the combination of them, with gasoline, that does the trick, just as in marriage.—*Dr GEO W CRANE*, "6 Rules of Love to Hold a Husband." *Coronet*, 8-'51.

### OBSTACLES—31

Most of us carry our own stumbling block around with us; we camouflage it with a hat.—*MARY ALKUS, Kiwanis Mag.*

### OPINION—32

No honest man seeking truth ever fears honest differences of opinion with his fellows.—*RAYMOND B ALLEN, Inst of Internat'l Education News Bulletin.*

### ORIGIN: Fool—33

Fool comes from the Latin *jollis*, a windbag. with the plural *folles*, puffed-out cheeks.—*EDWIN RADFORD, Unusual Words*. (Philosophical Library)

### POLITICS—34

Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it whether it exists or not, diagnosing it wrongly and applying the wrong remedy.—*Sir ERNEST BENN, London publisher. Public Utilities Fortnightly.*

### POTENTIALITY—35

Many men possess a hundred acres of possibilities but keep only about one-half acre under cultivation. — *Ind Issue*, hm, Ind Temperance League.

### PRODUCTION—Cost—36

If the farmer gave away the beans in a 16¢ can of pork and beans, cost to the housewife would still be 14¢ at the grocery store. — *N Y State College of Agriculture Bulletin.*

### RACE—Relations—37

When an anemic child in one of Manhattan's housing projects had to have repeated transfusions, tenants of the project donated a steady supply of blood until her life was saved. The girl was Chinese; the donors were about equally divided among whites and Negroes. But the blood from the 3 races mixed just fine.—*ROB'T W WELLS, Milwaukee Jnl.*

### RESPONSIBILITY—38

Many a promising man has been ruined, or reduced to mediocrity, by getting his hands on too much power before he was able to handle it.—*JOHN C CORT, "Lay Apostles in the Field," Commonweal*, 7-20-'51.

### RUSSIA—39

Probably in no other country has the soldier as few rights as in the Soviet Union. Officers have the legal right to shout at him, abuse him in unprintable language, subject him to insult and treat him as an animal . . . The soldier cannot show himself in a Red Army House, cinema, theater, park or other public place unless he is in formation or under command.—*Former Soviet Staff Officer, in Economist, London.*

### SPEECH: Introduction—40

One of these days the chmn of a luncheon, dinner or convention will startle his audience and win fame for himself by announcing, "I shall now present a speaker who needs an introduction."—*Adv Age.*

### SPEECH—Speaking—41

Two friends met on the st. One was dressed in a new outfit from head to foot. The other wore tattered garments. Said the tattered one, "You must have a good job. You are certainly all dressed up."

"I am an orator," was the reply.  
"What is an orator?"

"Well," said the other, "if you meet a man and ask him how much is 2 and 2 and he says it is 4, he is not an orator. But if you ask me how much is 2 and 2, I will respond to you in the following language, viz, namely, to wit: 'When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary to take the second numerical and superimpose it upon the figure two, then I say unto you, and I say it without fear of successful contradiction, that the consequential result am'ts to four.' That is an orator, which I am."—V-pres ALBEN W BARKLEY, *Collier's*.

#### STATE-OF-THE-WORLD—42

We are not living in the best of all possible worlds, as the Pollyannas insist, but we are living in the only possible world. And, so long as there is even one Lincoln or one Gandhi in a century, we have more cause for rejoicing at God's goodness than reviling man's imperfection.—SYDNEY J HARRIS, *Chicago News*.

#### SUCCESS—43

The champion corn grower of the U S had a difficult time earning his title. He reported that to grow better corn, he had developed a better seed. But pollen from the corn in neighbors' fields spoiled his 1st yr's growth. The farmer then went into a huddle with his neighbors. He shared his seeds, his know-how, and the work. Then, and only then, did he realize his ambition to grow the grade of corn he wanted.—RALPH N MCINTIRE, *Current Religious Thought*.

#### TIME—44

Your calendar shows the passing of time. Your face shows what you are doing with it.—*Trailer Talk*, hm, Warner-Fruehauf Trailer Company.

#### TROUBLE—45

Opportunity knocks on the door but once. Trouble is more persistent.—*Banking*.

#### VALUES—46

If I were an American, I should make my remembrance of the Grand Canyon the final test of men, art and policies. I should ask myself: Is this good enough to exist in the same country as the Canyon?—J B PRIESTLY, quoted by DONALD CULROSS PEATTIE, *Guidposts*.

#### WAR—47

Wars are not won by means of ammunition and implements of war but by the firm resolve of a people.—HAZRAT KHALIFATUL MASIH II, "Communism & Democracy," *Muslim Sunrise*, 2nd Quarter, '51.

#### WORK—48

In the U S working is more than a way of earning a livelihood. It is a way of keeping one's self-respect.—ETHEL SHANAS & ROBT J HAVIGHURST, *State Gov't*.

#### WORRY—49

A large industrial concern discovered 9 out of 10 cases of workers' inefficiency were caused by worry. A life ins co found 4 out of 5 nervous breakdowns began not in actual events but in worry. A medical clinic's analysis of its patients showed that 35% of all illness on its records started with worry. — *York Trade Composer*, hm, York Composition Co.

#### IF

IF you want a thing bad enough to go out and fight for it, work day and night for it, give up your time and your peace and your sleep for it,

IF only your desire of it makes you quite mad enough never to tire of it,

IF life seems all empty and useless without it, and all that you scheme and you dream is about it,

IF gladly you'll sweat for it, fret for it, plan for it, lose all your terror of God or of man for it,

IF neither cold, poverty, famished and gaunt, nor sickness nor pain, of body or brain, can turn you away from the thing you want,

IF dogged and grim you besiege and beset it, YOU'LL GET IT.—*Inspiration*, hm, Filmack Trailer Co. 50

## MINING THE MAGAZINES



"Polio Is Losing Its Punch," says JOHN LEAR, in the Aug 4th *Collier's*. "During the 15 yrs ending in '49," he reveals, "polio epidemics in the U S caused an average of 8 deaths in every 100 positive clinical cases. In last 2 yrs, fatal figure has been cut in half . . . Last yr, 76% of all polio cases that reached the hospitals were dismissed within 30 days."

If you have a spare \$50 million and feel slightly expansive, you might finance a worthy project for either peace or war-time use. WILLY LEY, German rocket expert now in U S, tells in the July 31st *Look* "How We Could Wage a War From Man Made Stars." He describes rocket satellite that would circle earth forever 350 mi's up, would never fall down or need fuel to stay in place. Accompanying charts and photos make fascinating reading.

The charms of Mata Hari vs a ry timetable may seem a far-fetched comparison—but KAROL N GESS, in "Time Table for Spies," in the July *U N World*, points out some of the valuable information—military, economic and political—gleaned from a study of world ry schedules. Study revealed humorous sidelight on muddled European currencies 2 yrs ago: "U S travelers nimble enough to nip from the train at border stops to change currency, could ride 3,500 kilometers in 2nd class coaches, passing thru Germany, Czechoslovakia, Austria, Switzerland, and a good part of France, all for 1 thin dime."

Making marriage work seems the prevailing popular theme on the current news-stand. Few are the mag's NOT listing marital advice of several varieties. MICHAEL DRURY, in "Is Your Marriage in Danger?" in the Aug *Cosmopolitan* reveals that while 1 marriage in 3 currently ends in divorce, Nat'l Desertion Bureau declares many more end in desertion—"the poor man's divorce." FSA claims public cost of support to such deserted families runs \$273 million yrly.

# GOOD STORIES •

## You Can Use

### I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

FULTON J SHEEN

Bishop

Shortly after my recent appointment as bishop, I was to appear on a TV show. I arrived a few min's early at the studio so I stepped into a drug store for a cup of coffee, not having time enough, however, to remove the reddish cape in which I was to appear on the telecast. The girl at the counter was serving customers a-mile-a-min; finally she turned to me:

"And what's yours, Cock Robin?" — MARY VAN RENSSLAER THAYER, *Argonaut*.

ing the 1st yr we produced only 5,000; the 2nd yr, 50,000; the 3rd, 500,000. This yr we'll probably make a million."

"Is that so? May I ask what you are producing?" the visitor asked.

The director reached out to the belt conveyor and pulled off a little brass tag for the visitor to inspect. It read: "The elevator isn't running." — BERTRAM D WOLFE, *N Y Times Magazine*.

Pfc Eugene K Kelly captured a Chinese soldier and took away his gun. The weapon consisted of a crude wooden stock bound together by wire and a rubber band to snap the firing pin. "If I knew the thing was homemade," Kelly said, "I would have challenged him with a water pistol." — *Great Lakes Bulletin*.

Bathing suit: A garment without any hooks but with plenty of eyes on it.—Animator, hm, Alexander Film Co.

Pat, a truck driver, stopped suddenly on the highway. The car behind crashed into the truck and its owner sued the Irishman. "Why didn't you hold out your hand?" the judge asked Pat. "Well," he

said indignantly, "if he couldn't see the truck, how in hivin's name could he see my hand?" — *Automotive Dealer News*.

A Chicago bookseller cautioned his salesmen, "I've ordered 300 copies of 'What an Expectant Mother Should Know,' and I'm counting on you boys to create a demand for them." — BENNETT CERF, *Sat Review of Literature*.

Some Hollywood movies look as if they weren't released—they escaped.—Pipe-Line.

A woman on trial for murdering her husband was acquitted because of the efforts of one little old lady on the jury. After the trial, she explained her attitude: "Well, I guess I just felt sorry for her. After all she was a widow." — *Townsend Nat'l Wkly*.

The saleswoman at the perfume counter held out a small vial. "This brand," she said nonchalantly, "has proved quite effective. It has a chloroform base." — *Ind Telephone News*, hm, Ind Bell Telephone Company.

Dollar Sign: A capital S that has been double-crossed. — Outdoor Ind.

A small boy was being sent to summer camp much against his will, and was making no bones about it.

"Why, you'll just love camp" his aunt said soothingly. "You'll have a simply wonderful vacation."

"I won't," was the acid retort, "but my mother will." — *N Y News*.

It was a bright day in N Y. The sign was big and easy-reading: "Slow! Men Working!" A man was busily white-stripping the center of a short, new strip of road near Rochester. He looked up just in time to see a driver, obviously

A Swiss was entranced by a splendid Russian film of Arctic exploration seen in a Zurich theater. Icebergs, polar bears, and a handsome, modern icebreaker featured the documentary, which ended by extolling the quality of the ship and other equipment. The ship bore a prominent Russian name on the bow.

The sharp-eyed Swiss watched the whole show with great interest, including a split-sec shot that showed stamped on one of the boat's beams the words "U S Coast Guard." — *Neue Zurcher Zeitung*, Switzerland.

Mosquitoes put more clothes on people than modesty does. Algona (Ia) Advance.

A young woman went into a store and sought out a sales ass't. "Do you return the money when an article isn't satisfactory?" she wanted to know.

"That depends upon the article," the salesman told her.

"This article is a book."

"What was wrong with it, Madam?"

"Well," she explained, "I didn't like the way it ended." — *Farmer*. b

It would seem the surest way of solving the steel shortage would be to melt down the Iron Curtain.—Pathfinder.

Back in the spring of 1854 there was one young lady of Owego N Y, who had to make a choice between a possible train wreck and conduct unbecoming a lady. By making the right choice she saved a N Y & Erie train from a possible wreck and rec'd a pass, a dress and a fine letter from the pres of the ry as a reward.

She brought the train to a halt by waving her red flannel drawers in the face of the engineer.—*Erie Ry Magazine*.

During Russia's 1st 5-Yr-Plan, an American was ushered into the director's office of a model factory. He stared wide-eyed at the production chart hanging on the wall. "Oh, yes," said the director. "Dur-

drunk and hell-bent, bearing down on him. The stripper quickly rose, jumped back and, brush in hand extended his arm out straight as the car whizzed by. Then, a great grin on his face, he got back to work. Justice had triumphed in what some would say was a fitting finish to this story of some skunk of a driver; a broad white stripe stretched from front to back of the shiny new car.—Briggs Assembler. **k**

Forms that ask for your name in reverse.  
Forms that ask for your last name 1st,  
Forms with a lot of useless dope  
That you couldn't read with a microscope.  
Red forms, yellow forms blue forms, pink forms,  
Please-write-plainly and please-use-ink forms.  
Blanks that you fill in a space marked "X,"  
Blanks for your height, age, weight and sex.  
Blanks to swear to and blanks to swear at,  
Blanks with a space you mustn't write in,  
Big enough to fly a kite in,  
Spaces the size of a pygmy flea,  
For a resume of your history.  
Tax blanks, bank blanks, personnel blanks,  
And just plain blankety blank, blank blanks.  
—Echo. **l**

The insurance man had the signature on the dotted line and was proceeding briskly toward his departure. "Now that am'ts to a premium of \$6.90 per mo on a straight life. That's what you wanted, wasn't it?"

"Well," said the customer a bit wistfully. "I would like to fool around a little bit on Sat nights." —Lion. **m**

" " " A man just back from Washington was telling about the trip. "I put in a hectic week," he said, "going from one office to another,

trying to get things done. But the most unusual thing happened when I took out a blonde the last evening I was there. We had dinner, and as we were leaving I asked for a kiss. She slapped me." The friend said. "That must have made you mad?" "No," said Jim. "I liked it. It was the 1st definite answer I'd had all wk." — *Peninsular Light*, hm, Peninsular Life Ins Co. **n**

" " " A mysterious country, India —where the cow is sacred, but not because it sells at \$1.50 a pound and up. — *Omaha World-Herald*. **" "**

An elderly lady, the bane of her doctor's existence, once attended a medical lecture at the county seat. Immediately afterward, she rushed over to tell the physician that she was positive she had a rare form of liver trouble mentioned by the speaker.

He brushed her aside somewhat impatiently. "My dear lady," he explained testily "that particular condition never causes pain or discomfort of any kind."

"I knew it! I knew it!" roared the neurotic. "Those are my symptoms exactly." — *Country Gentleman*. **o**

" " " Middle age is when a night out is followed by a day in.—Argonaut. **" "**

A small boy was asked by his father a well-known industrialist, what he would like to have for his birthday. "A baby brother," repl'd the boy.

"But it's only 2 wks away, you know," objected the father, "and that doesn't give me enough time."

"I know," said the boy. "But can't you put more men on the job?" — *Kablegram*. **p**

" " " A story going the rounds in western Europe says one Prague resident refused to join the gen'l outcry against a new Stalin statue in a public square in Prague.

"Why not?" he said. "It will give us shade in summer, shelter in winter, and opportunity to the birds to speak for all of us." — *Indianapolis News*. **q**



**FLOORING:** Dr Fred O'Flaherty, of Univ of Cincinnati Research Foundation, announces development of concrete floor surfacing almost as resilient as wood. It can be sanded, waxed, polished, will not interfere with radiant heating system. (*Detroit Free Press*) **" "**

**LIGHTING:** "Panelite," thin sheet of glass which glows when current passes thru providing even light over entire surface, is new method of lighting developed by Sylvania Electric Products. Said to be more efficient, longer lasting, cheaper to operate than familiar light bulb. Panels will be on display soon. (*Changing Times*) **" "**

**PLASTICS:** Lewyt Corp'n of Brooklyn has experimented successfully with Fiberglas-reinforced polyester (a plastic). Mat'l has 3 times impact strength of steel, weighs ¼ as much. One disadvantage: twice as expensive. But if all-out emergency develops, this plastic could help maintain civilian output. (*Newsweek*) **" "**

**SAFETY:** Getting factory workers to wear hard safety hats has been efficiently worked out at Shell Chemical Plant, Pittsburgh, Cal. "Why not" said firm's personnel mgr, "put some helpful lettering on those hard lids that will acceptably identify each worker?" Nearly everyone now has steel or plastic hat with distinctive nickname design. (*Personnel News Bulletin*, hm, Cal Personnel Mgt Association). **" "**

**VACATION—Aids:** Plastic bottles for carrying cold drinks on ride or picnic are filled with beverage at home, frozen in refrigerator. Freezing will not break plastic bottle and contents remain cold for long period of time. (*Science News Letter*) **" "**

# Quote CALENDAR

- August 26**  
1676—b Rob't Walpole, British Prime Minister  
1743—b Antoine Lavoisier, French chemist  
1841—"Deutschland Uber Alles" written  
1873—b Lee De Forest, American inventor  
1920—19th amendment became effective
- August 27**  
B C 551—"b Confucius, Chinese philosopher  
1635—d Lope de Vega, Spanish dramatist, poet  
1770—b Georg W Hegel, German philosopher  
1803—b Edward Beecher, American minister, educator  
1871—b Theo Dreiser, American author
- August 28**  
430—d St Augustine, early Christian, bishop of Hippo  
1565—Spanish sighted St Augustine, Fla  
1749—"b Johann W Goethe, German author  
1828—b Leo Tolstoy, Russian novelist  
1859—d Leigh Hunt, English poet, essayist  
1889—b Stephen Early, American businessman, presidential aide
- August 29**  
1632—"b John Locke, English philosopher  
1809—"b Oliver Wendell Holmes, American poet  
1817—b John Leech, English caricaturist  
1862—b Maurice Maeterlinck, Belgian poet, dramatist  
1876—"b Chas F Kettering, American inventor, engineer, mfr
- August 30**  
1862—2nd Battle of Bull Run  
1871—b Ernest Rutherford, British physicist
- August 31**  
1688—d John Bunyan, English author  
1797—d Jeffrey Amherst, British field-marshal  
1811—b Theophile Gautier, French author  
1821—b Herman von Helmholtz, German physicist, philosopher  
1880—"b Wilhelmina, former Queen of Netherlands
- September 1**  
1729—"d Sir Richard Steele, Irish author, editor  
1785—b Peter Cartwright, American preacher, writer  
1795—b Jas Gordon Bennett, Scottish-born American journalist  
1923—Beginning of Japanese earthquake  
1939—Hitler invaded Poland

\*Indicates relevant mat'l on this page.  
See also Pathways to the Past.

## JOHN BUNYAN\*

A man there was and they called him mad: the more he gave the more he had.

## CONFUCIUS\*

Do not wish for quick results, nor look for small advantages. If you seek quick results, you will not

attain the ultimate goal. If you are led astray by small advantages you will never accomplish great things.

## JOHANN VON GOETHE\*

The greatest respect one can show to the public is not to treat it as rabble.

## CHAS F KETTERING\*

When Kettering was helping develop Diesel engines, a dean of engineering sharply told him that, according to all the engineering books, his engines could not possibly run.

"My engines don't read books," Kettering said. "but they run."—EARL WILSON, *Let 'Em Eat Cheese-cake*. (Doubleday)

## JOHN LOCKE\*

New opinions are always suspected and usually opposed, for no other reason than because they are not already common.

## RICHARD STEELE\*

The marriage state, with and without the affection suitable to it, is the completest image of Heaven and Hell we are capable of receiving in this life.

## LEO TOLSTOY\*

Always a dreamer, Tolstoy, as a boy saw the need for someone to improve the lot of Russian peasants. They suffered bitterly under oppression, but no one lifted a voice in their behalf. He envisioned the time when they would be given a fair chance at life. But there he was content to rest. He did nothing about it. He married an alert, intelligent woman and to her confided his big idea.

"Fine," she said, "but what are you going to do about it?"

"Nothing."

"Why not? If the idea is sound, if reforms are needed why not do something about it yourself?"

As a result Tolstoy started writing his great social novels.—CHAS B ROTH, quoted in *Trained Men*, hm, Internat'l Correspondence Schools.

## WILHELMINA\*

As the valiant Dutch Queen traveled about the slowly recovering country after World War II, she made the nat'l diet of 1,800 calories her own, and carried sandwiches with her, refusing to accept food from the hard-pressed townspeople.

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Quote

### Carve Every Word . . .

Once more: speak clearly if you speak at all.

Carve every word before you let it fall;

Don't, like a lecturer or dramatic star,

Try over-hard to roll the British "R";

Do put your accents in the proper spot:

Don't—let me beg you—don't say "How?" for "What?"

And when you stick on conversation's burrs,

Don't strew your pathway with those dreadful *urs*.—

OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.\*

In one village she found a table laden with delicacies. She frowned, then turned to the burgomeister with a dark look in her eyes.

But his remark silenced her. "Your Majesty," he said, "when a mother has been gone a long time and then returns, the children dig deep in their cupboards to find food worthy of her."—GEO KENT, *Minneapolis Tribune*.

